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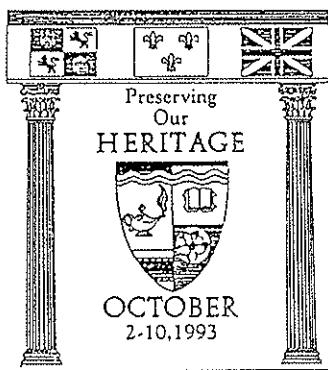
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MISSISSIPPI ARCHIVES WEEK



The second annual Mississippi Archives Week was observed October 2-10, 1993. A total of thirty-one different events were held in twenty-six different towns and cities in Mississippi. Included in the list of events planned for the week were thirteen exhibits, eighteen programs or workshops and two repository open houses. Programs and exhibits on conservation, genealogy, and the Civil War continued to prove popular and were requested by many sites. The demand for a Civil War exhibit was met by Beth Koostra and Carolyn Neault, who collaborated on an exhibit for several libraries. Sandra Boyd and Elaine Owens prepared a basic genealogy exhibit which was on view in four libraries.

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Baseball photographs and scenes from Noxubee County history were the subjects of exhibits at the Bolivar County Library and the Noxubee County Library. An exhibit on women's manuscript materials at Mississippi State University Library was designed to coincide with the publication of *Mississippi's Historical Heritage: A Guide to Women's Sources in Mississippi Repositories*.

Special programs planned to meet the individual needs and interests of area libraries were very successful. Events in Jackson included author Will Campbell reading from his book, *Providence*, at the Old Capitol Museum in Jackson and an exhibit of Holly family materials at the Smith Robertson Museum. Also in Jackson, Tougaloo College's exhibit for the year-long anniversary of the 1954 Brown vs. Board of Education decision received many favorable comments. The program planned by Mississippi State University staff and the Brookhaven Public Library had the largest attendance, with more than 100 attending to hear presentations and share memories of the Hobbs family and one of the state's oldest newspapers, *The Brookhaven Leader*, and to honor Henry Ware Hobbs, Jr. who died unexpectedly in the summer. The University of Southern Mississippi's outdoor display of materials "Taking it to the People" was probably the most unusual program. The Lauderdale County Department of Archives and History's collaborative effort with Jim Dauphine of Meridian Community College to present workshops for high school students on the use of archives was highly successful. This was a program worthy of duplication in future years and in other locales. Many thanks to speakers Michael Ballard, Ron Marquardt, Joseph Parker, Ed Wheat, Dee Jones, Jim Dauphine, Will Henson, Lynne Mueller, Sheila Skemp, Vera Richardson, Joanne Hawks, Terry Latour, JoAnne Hawks, Todd Herring, Mattie Sink and Brenda Crook who prepared and presented programs or workshops. Although attendance at programs was not always large, averaging 15 to 20 persons, reaction from audiences indicated that the quality of the programs presented was very high.

The theme of Mississippi Archives Week, "Preserving our Heritage", was featured in an attractive new logo, which was used on Mississippi Archives Week posters, tee-shirts and sweatshirts. The Mississippi Archives Week Committee and designer Tina Bailey collaborated on the design of the new logo. A brochure used for the first Mississippi Archives Week was slightly modified and carried out in a color complementing the new poster. Posters, brochures and Mississippi Archives Week Events Schedules were sent to all libraries, archives and museums in the state.

As with the 1992 Mississippi Archives Week, Mississippi Archives Week 1993 was made possible through the volunteer efforts of many individuals. The Mississippi Archives Week Committee, spearheaded by Sandra Boyd and Elaine Owens aided by Alice Cox, Sara Tubb, Beth Koostra, David Taylor, Victor Bailey, and Mattie Sink. Special mention is due the staff of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, who assisted the committee by doing whatever needed doing, including writing and distributing press releases, coordinating and ordering publicity materials and tie-in products, preparing the proclamation for the governor to sign, and assisting with the mailing of exhibits and publicity. Mississippi's archival repositories gained much positive attention as a result of the efforts of all who contributed to Mississippi Archives Week. The staff and volunteers of the libraries, repositories and societies were wonderfully receptive, enthusiastic and welcoming. Thanks to all who made Mississippi Archives Week 1993 a great success!

EDITOR'S NOTE

Due to many different factors, all the responsibility of the editor, *The Primary Source* has been consistently running behind 3-4 issues for the last year or more. I sincerely regret the delay and apologize for the inconvenience to subscribers and contributors. I'm catching up -- please bear with me for a few more weeks. Meanwhile, your contributions of original articles, book reviews, repositories reports, accessions reports and other articles are welcome and would be most appreciated.

-Mattie Sink.

MISSISSIPPI NEWS

What Council Did...
SMA Executive Council Meeting
Jackson, December 7, 1993

- Heard plans for local arrangements and the program for the Southern Archivists Conference, April 6-8, 1994. Approved payment of advance of \$200.00 to cover preliminary expenses.
- Authorized a first printing of 200 copies of *A Guide to Women's Sources in Mississippi Repositories*, to be printed by the MSU Printing Department. Authorized a prepublication price of \$12.50, postpaid.
- Adopted the 1994 Budget presented by Finance Chairman Terry Latour.
- Heard a report on the 1993 Mississippi Archives Week and discussed future funding of Mississippi Archives Week. Decided to consider changing the date of the week to coincide with the annual teachers' workshop.
- Heard the report of Nominating Committee Chairman Michael Ballard.
- Heard a report from Will Henson and discussed the earlier meeting concerning local records legislation attended by Archival Advocacy Committee members and several county clerks and supervisors. The meeting was held at the Mississippi College Law Library.
- Scheduled the next meeting for February 11, 1994.

JULIA YOUNG TO GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

SMA member and former Mississippian Julia Marks Young assumed the position of Head of Special Collections/Director of the Southern Labor Archives at Georgia State University in October of 1993. Julia served the Society of Mississippi Archivists in a variety of capacities, including that of president (1989-1990). She was an instructor in the School of Library Science at the University of Southern Mississippi and later joined the grant staff at the de Grummond Children's Literature Research Collection at USM before leaving to become an archivist with the Super Conducting Super Collider in Texas in 1991.

STAFF CHANGES AT THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

Bill Hanna left the Mississippi Department of Archives and History in 1993 to assume the position of City Archivist of Jackson, Mississippi. Sandra Boyd assumed the position of Computer Specialist after the end of the grant funded cataloging project which she supervised. In December of 1993, Sandra Boyd assumed the position of Head of Official Records. Victor Bailey moved from Special Collections to join the public service staff in the Reading Room. Betty Uzman is the Archivist replacing Victor Bailey in Special Collections. Carolyn Woodley is the new Head of Collection Development.

CYNTHIA LEWIS BECOMES HEAD OF MARTIN LUTHER KING CENTER

Cynthia Lewis, formerly the Archivist at the Margaret Walker Alexander Research Center based at Jackson State University, left the Center in 1993 to move to Atlanta, Georgia. Following her move to Atlanta, Lewis was offered the position of Director of the Martin Luther King Center for Nonviolent Social Change. In a feature article in the February 1994 issue of *American Libraries*, Lewis gave her reasons for accepting the position: "When I walked through the stacks and saw the King papers and remembered Martin and his commitment, that was it! I saw the work that needed to be done at the library and concluded that at this point in my life there was nowhere else for me to go". Lewis had worked at the King Center before joining the staff of Jackson State University. While at Jackson State, Lewis was the Archivist for the grant-funded Mississippi Statewide Survey of African American Records. Lewis also served as an SMA Executive Council Director. The feature article by Ron Chepesiuk and Gloria Kelley-Palmer in *American Libraries* discusses some of the challenges Lewis will face at the King Center, including coping with the legacy of the divided Martin Luther King Jr. Papers, part of which will remain at Boston University following an unsuccessful lawsuit by Coretta Scott King. The article also features Chepesiuk and Kelley-Palmer's exclusive interview with Coretta Scott King.

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SOCIETY OF MISSISSIPPI ARCHIVISTS
1994 BUDGET

INCOME:

Membership:

50 @ \$7.50 =	\$375	
5 @ 3.00 =	15	
10 @ 15.00 =	150	
1 @ 25.00 =	25	\$ 565.00

Interest: (Checking & Cash Manager) 80.00

Women's Guide: (Sale of 100 @ \$12.50) 1250.00

Archives Week: (Donations & Sales) 400.00

SAC Meeting: (Recovery of \$500 program advance
and profit of \$200) 700.00

TOTAL \$2995.00

EXPENSES:

Contingency Fund: \$75.00

Publication Committee:

P.O. Box Rent	\$49.00	
Bulk Mail Fee	75.00	
TPS Postage	90.00	
TPS Paper	60.00	
Women's Guide (Printing in 1993, cost of mailing: 100 @ \$1.80)	180.00	545.00

Archives Week Committee:

Postage	
Brochures	
Photocopies	
Merchandise	
Travel	1200.00

Membership Committee: 70.00

Program Committee - SAC Meeting 500.00

TOTAL \$2390.00

SURPLUS: (Does not consider cost of Women's Guide) \$605.00
(Exclusion of Guide would mean deficit of \$465)

ASSETS: (As of November 5, 1993)

Checking	\$1520.99
Cash Manager MMA	2622.08
Certificate of Deposit	1969.22
TOTAL	\$6112.22

(Does not include cost of printing Women's Guide)

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NATIONAL UNION CATALOG OF MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS RECORDS ADDED TO OCLC

Recently OCLC loaded more than 12,000 National Union Catalog of Manuscripts Collections (NUCMC) records into the Online Union Catalog (OLUC). From now on OCLC will load the quarterly files of corrected and new records. The NUCMC records are loaded with the owning institution's OCLC symbol in 040 \$a and \$c. That institution's holding symbol is set. Some records are trimmed if they exceed system limits. This is a temporary measure until OCLC expands its record size. When record size is increased, OCLC will reload the affected records to restore them to full size. The trimmed records have fixed field Mod Rec: 's'. For details contact your Network or OCLC. The records are retrievable in PRISM Service by derived, phrase, and keyword searches, and via EPIC and FirstSearch reference searches. For examples, see record numbers 28374817, 28374821, 28376511.

Institutions which originally described the records and are OCLC members with full cataloging authorizations, are able to lock and replace their NUCMC records. All replaced records will have an 040 \$d with the institution's symbol. OCLC perceived a need for this capability for several reasons. NUCMC records are distributed some time after they were originally described by the submitting institution. During that time, the collection may have changed, or been processed further.

Loading NUCMC records adds duplicate records to the OLUC. This happens when OCLC member libraries input the records in the OLUC and report the description to NUCMC. Those same records enter OCLC again via LC. OCLC does not have software that will match the new NUCMC records to those already in the database. We ask members to report duplicates of their own institution's records for merging. When the institution reports duplicates, OCLC will merge records if they represent the same collection described at the same level. Records with differing bibliographic levels will not be merged. For example, a subunit would not be merged to the collection.

The record retained is at the discretion of the reporting institution. They can select their own or LC's record to be retained. OCLC staff is responsible for transferring LC's control number, if the LC record is not retained. NUCMC descriptions are available from sources other than OCLC. The LCCN on the OCLC record will match the LCCN on an NUCMC record from another source and identify that the records (perhaps with differing descriptions) are for the same item(s). (Pam Kircher, OCLC, Internet: pam_kircher@oclc.org (614) 764-6459, July 20, 1993)

DONATIONS OF APPRECIATED PROPERTY

Recent Federal legislation in the form of P.L. 103-66 provides a permanent exclusion from the alternative minimum tax of all charitable contributions of appreciated property. In other words, taxpayers subject to the alternative minimum tax who donate gifts of appreciated property such as artwork, manuscripts, stocks, or land, would be able to deduct the full fair market value of the items. For gifts of tangible personal property, a previous restoration of this tax break had expired on June 30, 1992. The new provision is retroactive. The Treasury Department must report to Congress within a year on development of an advance valuation procedure. Senator Daniel Moynihan was the originator of the permanent exclusion. ALA is on record in support of this provision because it encourages donations of manuscripts and similar items to libraries. (ALA Washington Office Newslines, August 11, 1993)

NYU TO AID NEW-YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

New York University has taken over management of the New-York Historical Society under a one-year renewable contract. The budget will drop to \$600,000 and NYU will have responsibility for acquisitions, processing and cataloging. The staff will remain and the Historical Society library will open five days a week. The University and scholars will gain access to a collection containing more than 700,000 volumes and three million manuscripts focusing on the history of New York City, the State and the Colonial America. In the spring of 1993 the Society laid off employees and closed to the public. It has been on the verge of bankruptcy for several years. (Chronicle of Higher Education, September 8, 1993)

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VATICAN ARCHIVES ON RLIN

The Research Libraries Group (RLG) has added an inventory of 1450 descriptions of records series in the Vatican Archives to its Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN). The Vatican Archives project is based in the University of Michigan's Bentley Historical Library under the guidance of director Francis X. Blouin, with funding supplied by the Getty Grant Program and the National Endowment for the Humanities. The project includes a survey of the archives of the Propaganda File and another archive of the church's evangelization since 1600. (*Library Journal*, October 1, 1993)

LC RECALLS THEATER ARCHIVE FROM GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

On deposit at George Mason University since 1974 due to space constraints at the Library of Congress, the Federal Theatre Project Archives has been recalled by the Library of Congress. The collection documents the history of the Depression-era program that produced the only federal theatre in the United States. With the refurbishment of the James Madison building, the Library of Congress is recalling the FTP materials as well as other collections on long-term loans to libraries. However, scholars and members of the George Mason University faculty have instituted a letter-writing campaign to prevent the September 1994 transfer. Some fear that the collection will be split up or sent to an inaccessible storage area. Library of Congress officials maintain that the fears are unfounded. George Mason University processed the materials and has built a variety of programs and other collections around the FTP archives. They desire to retain the collection or receive copies of the materials. Negotiations to resolve the differences of the two institutions are continuing. (*American Libraries*, October 1993)

NATIONAL ARCHIVES FAX-ON-DEMAND

The Nontextual Archives Division of the National Archives announces the installation of its fax-on-demand system, which allows researchers to select and receive pamphlets and other material via fax. The system, which can be reached at (301) 713-6905, must be called from a fax machine. There is no charge for the service except for any long distance phone charges the caller may incur. They invite you to test the system, which currently contains moving notices, general information leaflets, select lists, reference reports, and other finding aid material. They would appreciate any comments, suggestions, or criticisms. Please contact Debra Wall via e-mail at vuw@cu.nih.gov, or at (202) 501-5449. A list of documents currently available on the system follows.

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(Archives and Archivist Listserv, January 5, 1994)

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS OPENS POW/MIA DATABASE

In September of 1993, the Library of Congress opened to the public a database of approximately 20,000 documents relating to Vietnam American prisoners of war and missing in action soldiers. It contains declassified Department of Defense documents, including 15 volumes of Uncorrelated Information Related to Missing Americans in Southeast Asia, Indochinese Refugee Reports, source reports of sightings, and casualty files. (LC Information Bulletin, September 6, 1993)

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ILLNESSES LINKED TO MOLD ON BOOKS

The University of Minnesota/Duluth Library spent \$100,000 and closed for three weeks last summer to have dust and mold cleaned from the venting system, books, and periodicals suspected of causing staff illnesses. The university's Department of Environmental Health and Safety advised the cleanup after an investigation in response to fifteen employees complaining about breathing problems while handling books for a barcoding project. The complaints included eye irritations, skin rashes, and breathing problems caused by mold and fungal spores released after the books were handled. (American Libraries, July/August 1993)

NEW STANDARDS ISSUED

Paper Permanence

The first major revision to the American National Standard for paper permanence (ANSI/NISO Z39.48-1992) has been published by NISO Press. This new standard expands the scope of the original standard to cover both uncoated and coated papers used for publications collected by libraries and archives and provides recommendations for new test methods. Other changes made to the standard: a test for fold endurance as a measure of strength has been dropped; a maximum lignin content of 1% is allowable; the minimum pH for uncoated paper is 7.5 and the minimum alkaline reserve is 2%. Coated paper base stock can be as low as pH 7.0 if the paper as a whole meets the alkaline reserve requirement.

Indexes

The final draft of the proposed national standard for indexes and related information retrieval devices (ANSI/NISO Z39.4-199x) will be available for review and comment in November. The new standard addresses every type of information retrieval index for every kind of text or document and presents a refined vocabulary for indexing. For example, the term "entry" is to be used only for a single heading linked by a single locator to a documentary unit. The display of a main heading and all of its subheadings will be called an "entry array" to distinguish it from the individual entries that such an array may encompass. Natural language order in both headings and subheadings is recommended in the revised standard.

Steel Shelving

The final draft of the proposed national standard for steel shelving for use in libraries and information centers is now out for review. The standard establishes minimum performance requirements for single tier freestanding steel shelving. The standard is based on extensive research conducted by ALA's Library Technology Reports. Information about NISO standards may be obtained through the Internet at NISO@ENH.NIST.GOV or through their office at 301-975-2814. (ALCTS Network News, September 22, 1993)

EXECUTIVE ORDER ON RECYCLED PAPER OMITTS PERMANENCE CONSIDERATIONS

President Clinton's executive order requiring the use of recycled paper within the federal government makes no mention of permanence considerations or of the law (PL 101-423) enacted in October 1990 which establishes a national policy to promote the use of permanent alkaline paper. Executive Order 12873 of October 20 (1993) concerns federal recycling, acquisition, and use of environmentally preferable products and services. Printing and writing papers must contain 20 percent postconsumer waste by December 31, 1994, increasing to 30 percent by December 31, 1998. Federal procurement must meet these standards "unless written justification is provided that a product is not available competitively within a reasonable time frame, does not meet appropriate performance standards, or is only available at an unreasonable price."

An alternative standard for printing and writing papers, effective immediately, requires at least 50 percent recovered materials "that are a waste material byproduct of a finished product other than a paper or textile product which would

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of otherwise be disposed of in a landfill, as determined by the State in which the facility is located." This would appear to allow the use of wood waste such as sawdust from the timber and sawmill industries.

Other qualities which may affect permanence are also addressed. The General Services Administration, in consultation with the Joint Committee on Printing, is to eliminate "standards or specifications unrelated to performance that present barriers to the purchase of paper or paper products made by production processes that minimize emissions of harmful byproducts." GSA's evaluation is to include "a review of unnecessary brightness and stock clause provisions, such as lignin content and chemical pulp requirements."

The National Institute of Standards and Technology is to test the performance of products and conduct life cycle analyses to assist agencies in selecting appropriate products and services. Federal agencies are also to encourage that documents be transferred electronically; that internal documents be printed double-sided; and that contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements require double-sided printing of documents on recycled paper that meets the order's guidelines. The Executive Branch is to implement an electronic commerce system consistent with National Performance Review recommendations.

The Executive Order is detailed and includes enforcement mechanisms, while the law on permanent paper establishes policy but lacks enforcement mechanisms. Whether a sufficient supply of paper exists that meets both sets of standards--for recycled content and for permanence--is yet to be determined. ALA, together with several other library, archival, and scholarly organizations, wrote to the White House in August recommending that the Executive Order accommodate needs for alkaline permanent paper so that costs for preserving the federal record would be minimized. ALA and other groups will consider possible courses of action, including data gathering, testing recommendations, congressional hearings, or revision of the Executive Order. Input from experts in permanent paper and preservation of library and archival materials would be welcomed.

PUBLICATIONS

ACETATE FILM STORAGE GUIDE

The Image Permanence Institute at Rochester Institute of Technology has published a Storage Guide for Acetate Film. The guide was developed to help collection and preservation managers in museums, libraries and archives understand the way in which temperature and humidity in the storage environment can significantly increase or decrease the useful life of the film in their collections. The guide represents five years of research on the deterioration of plastic film supports funded by the Division of Preservation and Access of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, and the Eastman Kodak Company. The Institute's study focused on how temperature and relative humidity in the storage environment relate to the slow chemical deterioration of acetate film (the so-called "vinegar syndrome"). Using the resulting test data, they created a four-part publication to help institutions anticipate the effect of various temperature/relative humidity conditions on their film collections and make improvements. The guide includes a 24-page booklet, a double-sided time/temperature/relative humidity wheel, time contour graphs, and a "time out of storage" table. The IPI Storage Guide for Acetate Film costs \$25.00, plus \$2.00 shipping and handling. For information or orders contact Rochester Institute of Technology, Image Permanence Institute, 70 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, New York 14623-5604. (Commission on Preservation and Access Newsletter, September 1993)

TORNADO PREPAREDNESS

The Preservation Service of the AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc., is distributing an American Red Cross and National Weather Service Brochure called Tornados . . . Nature's Most Violent Storms: A Preparedness Guide. Although not specifically intended for libraries and archives, it does contain tips on tornado safety and how to develop a tornado disaster plan which might be useful for institutions at risk. Free copies of the brochure are available from Rebecca Frank, AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc., 12200 Park Central Drive, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75251; (800) 843-8482. (College and Research Libraries News, November 1993)

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COMMISSION ON PRESERVATION & ACCESS ANNUAL REPORT AVAILABLE

The 1992-93 annual report of the CPA focuses on the digital world and the transforming changes that have resulted in the evolution of preservation technologies. In a special section CPA President Patricia Battin explores the implications of the virtual library for preservation and access activities. This document is available free of charge from Sonny Koerner, Commission on Preservation and Access, 1400 16th St., N.W., Suite 740, Washington D.C. 20036-2217. (ALCTS Network News, October 23, 1993) Glaser, Mary Todd.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH DIRECTORY OF NON-PRINT MEDIA

The Directory of Information Sources on Scientific Research Related to the Preservation of Round recordings, Still and Moving Images and Magnetic Tape is a comprehensive listing of laboratories and organizations as well as sources of scientific and technical information on the preservation of non-print media. This 16-page publication includes the initiatives, programs, and contact information of more than 35 entries including databases, serials, monographs and articles, and conference proceedings. the focus of the directory is on information from the public sector and non-profit institutions, organizations, and publications. The publication is available while supplies last for \$10.00, prepaid to Commission on Preservation and Access, from Sonny Koerner, Commission on Preservation and Access, 1400 16th St., N.W., Suite 740, Washington D.C. 20036-2217. (ALCTS Network News, October 23, 1993)

Storage Solutions for Oversized Paper Artifacts. Andover, MA: Northeast Document Conservation Center (100 Brickstone Square, Zip 01810), 1993.

A new technical leaflet describing storage options for maps, posters, architectural drawings, and other oversize papers.

Trinkley, Michael. Can You Stand the Heat: A Fire Safety Primer for Libraries, Archives, and Museums. Columbia, SC: Chicora Foundation, Inc. (Order from SOLINET Preservation Program, 1438 W. Peachtree St. N.W., Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30319-2955) 1993, 80 pp. \$10.

Topics include fire detection, alarms, fire suppression systems, fire safety planning, and staff training.

Trinkley, Michael. Hurricane! Surviving the Big One: A Primer for Libraries, Museums, and Archives. Copublished by SOLINET and Chicora Foundation, Inc. (Order from SOLINET Preservation Program, 1438 W. Peachtree St. N.W., Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30319-2955.), 1993, 76 pp., \$12.

Details storm proofing an institution, and what to do during and after the storm.

Trinkley, Michael. Preservation Concerns in Construction and Remodeling of Libraries: Planning for Preservation. Columbia, SC: Chicora Foundation, Inc. (Order from South Carolina State Library, P.O. Box 11469, Columbia, SC 29202), 1992, 90 pp., \$10.

Oriented toward helping administrators and architects in understanding the impact that construction has on the preservation of library materials.

Trinkley, Michael and Debi Hacker. Preserving Your Family Treasures. Columbia, SC: Chicora Foundation, Inc. (P.O. Box 8664, Zip 29202-8664) 1993, 48 pp. \$5.

Covers a wide range of items, including artwork, textiles, glass, ceramics, and silver, but it does include some information on video tapes and two dimensional objects.

ACCESSIONS

Mississippi Department of Archives and History

Manuscript Collection

BONNER-MCDOWELL-STEPHENSON FAMILY PAPERS ca. 1790s-1980s. 1.33 cu. ft.

Papers of writer Sherwood Bonner of Holly Springs, Mississippi, and her family. Included are Bonner and McDowell family correspondence (ca. 1830s-1890s); Sherwood Bonner manuscripts; a typescript of her journal; Sherwood Bonner-related journal articles; photographs; and clippings. Other papers (ca. 1920s-1980s) concern Sherwood Bonner's grand-nephew, the Reverend George R. Stephenson, including correspondence, programs, and publications documenting his involvement in the Episcopal Church; narratives, research materials, and notes for Stephenson's lectures at Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi; photographs; negatives; postcards; and a collection of newspaper articles authored by Stephenson. Presented by Keith Alford, Port Gibson, Mississippi.

ELIAS FAMILY PAPERS. ca. 1890s-1990s. 0.33 cu. ft.

Correspondence, genealogical and military records, yearbooks, photographs, negatives, and newspaper clippings pertaining to various members of the family of Edward David Elias, a Jewish merchant of Okolona, Chickasaw County, Mississippi, who later lived in Little Rock, Arkansas. Presented by Charles H. Elias, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

EVERETT (FRANK E., JR.) PAPERS. ca. 1908-1993. 5 cu. ft.

Papers of lawyer and historian Frank E. Everett, Jr., of Vicksburg, Mississippi, including correspondence concerning his historical interests and publications; research materials and manuscripts, especially concerning Jefferson Davis, the plantation, Brierfield, Mississippi history, and the First Presbyterian Church, Vicksburg; photographs, including some from Vicksburg; clippings; journal articles; class notes and memorabilia from the University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi; and speeches delivered by Everett. Also included are materials concerning his wife, Clyde Bryant Everett, and family history. Presented by Clyde Bryant Everett, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

FERRIS (EUGENE B.) AND FAMILY PAPERS, ACCRETION. ca. 1850s-1950s. 2 cu. ft.

Letters, essays, poetry, ledgers, family bibles and printed material of various members of the Eugene B. Ferris family of Mississippi. Presented by William Ferris, Oxford, Mississippi.

FOX FAMILY PAPERS. ca. 1910s-1970s. 10.40 cu. ft.

Correspondence, a photograph, and financial and legal records of the D. B. Fox family of Laurel, Mississippi, and the family businesses, including the D. B. Fox Lumber Company, the Laurel Lumber Company, the Laurel Starch Plant, and the Fox family farm near Overt, Jones County, Mississippi. The papers contain information on Jones County, prohibition, sharecropping, the lumber and oil industries, and agriculture during World War II. Presented by the Lauren Rogers Museum of Art, Laurel, Mississippi.

JEFFERSON COLLEGE RECORDS, ACCRETION. 1842-1857. 0.33 cu. ft.

Minute book of the Board of Trustees of Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, Mississippi, dating from 1842 to 1857. Presented by William H. Buck, Jr., Memphis, Tennessee.

JONES (MARTHA J.) PETITION. 1869. 0.10 cu. ft.

Petition, Martha J. Jones, mother and legal guardian of Ella J. Bass, to Madison County, Mississippi, Probate Court Judge M. M. Cooper, dated March 8, 1869, requesting permission to sell a Hinds County, Mississippi, plantation belonging to Bass. Presented by Sara Dewees Raymond, Madison, Mississippi.

KNUT (SEARGENT PRENTISS) TELEGRAM. n.d. 0.10 cu. ft.

Telegram (undated), Seargent Prentiss Knut, Central City, Kentucky, to S. V. Stratton, Natchez, Mississippi, requesting Stratton's assistance in detaining "John" until Knut arrived in Natchez. Presented by E. E. Carver, Tustin, California.

LINDSAY-PUGH FAMILY PAPERS. ca. 1910s-1950s. 2 cu. ft.

Papers of Lindsay and Pugh family members, especially Joe Pugh Lindsay of Tutwiler, Tallahatchie County, Mississippi. Included are correspondence, albums; photographs; postcards; family Bibles; and a baby book. Presented by Margaret L. Brokaw, Charleston, Mississippi.

ACCESSIONS

LITTLE THEATRE PLAYERS OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, RECORDS. ca. 1930s-1940s. 0.66 cu. ft.

Photograph of a scene from a 1932 Little Theatre Players of Jackson, Mississippi, production of a play entitled *Let Us Be Gay* and a scrapbook of 1940s theatrical productions. Presented by Virginia Fox Metz, Jackson, Mississippi.

MCCOOL-FENWICK FAMILY PAPERS. ca. 1860s-1960s. 16.66 cu. ft.

Correspondence, diaries, photographs, financial and legal records, and other papers of the McCool, Fenwick, Niles, Maganos, and Geiger families of Kosciusko, Attala County, Mississippi, from the 1860s to the 1960s. Presented by Jason Fenwick, Louisville, Kentucky.

MISSISSIPPI HISTORICAL SOCIETY RECORDS, ACCRETION. ca. 1950s; ca. 1980s. 1 cu. ft.

Files of various committees of the Mississippi Historical Society for the 1950s and the 1980s. Presented by the Mississippi Historical Society, Jackson, Mississippi.

NATCHEZ HISTORICAL SOCIETY COLLECTION. ca. 1800s-1960s. 4.40 cu. ft.

Papers and records collected by the Natchez Historical Society, Natchez, Mississippi, primarily from Natchez-area sources, including autographs of Confederate generals; lithographs; photographs; sketches (several of the Coyle House); maps; postcards; contracts; deeds; records of Natchez-area businesses and societies; newspapers; family Bibles; and scrapbooks. Presented by the Natchez Historical Society, Natchez, Mississippi.

PARKER (ALTON) LETTER. 1929. 0.10 cu. ft.

Letter of Crystal Springs, Mississippi, native Alton Parker, Little America, Antarctica, to Theodore Kendall Dampeer, Crystal Springs, Mississippi, on October 20, 1929. The letter discusses Parker's participation in the Byrd Expedition. Presented by Bess Dowd Wilkinson, Jackson, Mississippi.

PROWSE (RICHARD) CIVIL WAR PAPERS. 1862; n.d. 0.10 cu. ft.

Letters of Union soldier and Vicksburg Campaign participant Richard Prowse, Ninety-fifth Illinois Infantry Regiment, Company E, to his wife, Catharine Julia Prowse, Coral, McHenry County, Illinois, and a letter of John Prowse, Abbeville, Lafayette County, Mississippi, to his sister-in-law, Catharine Julia, advising her of the death of her husband on December 10, 1862. Also included are photographs of Richard Prowse and his daughter, Evva. Presented by Bette Jane Laseter, Ocean Springs, Mississippi.

REIFF (LEE H.) PAPERS. ca. 1965-1983. 3 cu. ft.

Papers of Lee H. Reiff, a retired professor of Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi, documenting his involvement in educational and civil rights organizations, including Communications Improvement, Inc.; Jacksonians for Public Education; and the Mississippi Council on Human Relations. The papers contain correspondence; organizational meeting minutes and files; grant applications, proposals, and reports associated with various educational programs; and newsletters and publications concerning education, civil rights, and desegregation. Presented by Lee H. Reiff, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina.

SMITH (LEMUEL AUGUSTUS I.) PAPERS. ca. 1930s-1940s. 5 cu. ft.

Correspondence, legal case files and opinions, pamphlets, and newspaper clippings of Judge Lemuel Augustus Smith I of Holly Springs, Marshall County, Mississippi. Presented by Chesley T. Smith, Holly Springs, Mississippi.

STEWART (ROBERT PERCY) WORLD WAR I PAPERS. ca. 1917-1918. 0.33 cu. ft.

Correspondence, memoranda, orders, manuals, regulations, reports, rosters, ordnance and quartermaster records, and lesson notes of Natchez, Mississippi, native Captain Robert Percy Stewart, Fifth Company, Second Infantry Battalion, United States Army, who was stationed at the Infantry Central Officers Training School, Camp Pike, Arkansas, during World War I. Presented by William E. Stewart, Natchez, Mississippi.

STRINGER (EMERSON) PAPERS. ca. 1960s-1980s. 5 cu. ft.

Correspondence, telegrams, photographs, speeches, pamphlets, and newspaper clippings documenting the political career of State Senator Emerson Stringer of Columbia, Marion County, Mississippi. Presented by Emerson Stringer, Columbia, Mississippi.

ACCESSIONS

WELTY (EUDORA) COLLECTION, ACCRETION. 1993. 0.10 cu. ft.

Photocopy of a photocopy of a typescript of the Eudora Welty skit, "Bye-Bye Brevoort", which Welty autographed for Virginia Fox Metz of Jackson, Mississippi, on October 8, 1993. Presented by Virginia Fox Metz, Jackson, Mississippi.

Audio-Visual Collection

WJTV-TV NEWSFILM COLLECTION.

News, sports, feature stories, and entertainment motion-picture film. Presented by television station WJTV, Jackson, Mississippi.

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Manuscripts

CONNER (DOUGLAS) PAPERS. Accretion. ca. 1946-1993. .25 cu. ft.

Addition to the papers of Starkville resident Douglas Conner

(b. 1923), physician and civil rights activist who was active in the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party and the NAACP, and is well-known for his activities in school desegregation and voter registration, as well as for other activities aimed at improving the quality of life for African-Americans in Starkville and Oktibbeha County. Included are photographs, Democratic Party materials, legal materials, memorabilia and photocopies of a scrapbook containing newspaper clippings and photographs. Other materials are a video tape, speech and other materials related to the presentation of the Douglas Conner Papers.

Gift of Dr. Douglas Conner. Additions expected.

HILLIARD (QUINCY CHARLES) PAPERS. 1960-1994. 10 cu. ft.

Papers of composer, music education professor, Starkville native and Mississippi State alumnus Charles Quincy Hilliard, who currently serves on the music faculty of the University of Southwestern Louisiana. Included are Hilliard's musical compositions in manuscript and published form (1975-1994), together with correspondence, photographs, research materials, coursework materials, articles and books, memorabilia and other materials.

Gift of Quincy Charles Hilliard. Additions expected.

MURRAY (SPENCER C.) PAPERS. 1911-1993. 1.41 cu. ft.

Papers of retired Presbyterian minister and historian Spencer C. Murray document Presbyterian history and family matters. Letters of Carrie Gertrude (Mrs. John) Castles (1861-1946) of Sessums, Mississippi to her daughter Elizabeth Castles Murray in Memphis, comprise the bulk of the family letters (1911-1919). Included are a few letters from other family members. Presbyterian history materials include minutes of the Mayhew, Tombeckbee, and Starkville area churches, and of the Presbytery and Synod of Mississippi. A typescript history of First Presbyterian Church, Starkville, church rolls, budgets and other materials are also included.

Gift of Spencer C. Murray.

SESSUMS FAMILY COLLECTION. 1896-1975 and undated. ca. 1 cu. ft.

Materials collected by Carrie Battle Palmer Maddux Howard and other Sessums family descendants, including genealogical notebooks documenting the Sessums family of Lowndes and Oktibbeha Counties (1942-1949), memorabilia and photographs of I.D. Sessums, Henrietta Kirksey Sessums and others. Also included are a scrapbook of clippings and other materials on James McArthur and a collection of Kennedy assassination newspapers. Gift of Mrs James Evans.

WEIDIE (WAYNE W.) PAPERS. 1972-1993. 2.5 cu. ft.

Papers of journalist and Mississippi State University alumnus Wayne W. Weidie, former editor and publisher of the Ocean Springs Record and the Gautier Independent, and currently Chief of Staff for U.S. Representative Gene Taylor. Included are manuscript and published copies of articles and research materials primarily documenting national, state and local politics. Some campaign and election materials document Weidie's activities on behalf of Gene Taylor.

Gift of W. Wayne Weidie. Additions expected. Restricted.

GRANTS

WEST FLORIDA TO PUBLISH GUIDE

The University of West Florida Library, Pensacola, has received a \$9,976 grant from the Florida State Historical Records Advisory Board to compile and publish a new comprehensive guide to Special Collections and West Florida Archives. (College and Research Libraries News, November 1993)

WAYNE STATE RECEIVES CATALOGING GRANT

The Wayne State University Library System in Detroit, has been awarded a \$90,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to add records of manuscript collections and oral history holdings of the Walter P. Reuther Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs into OCLC. The archives contains one of the most important archival collections in the United States on the history of the North American labor movement. (College and Research Libraries News, November 1993)

ACQUISITIONS

DIXIE CUP ARCHIVES TO LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

Lafayette College has been given historical records of the Dixie Cup Company, including photographs of early advertisements, patent records, and samples of Dixie Cups marketed from 1923 to 1950. The items are part of a larger collection of personal and business papers of the late Hugh Moore, a co-founder of the company. (Chronicle of Higher Education, September 22, 1993)

JEFFERSON LETTERS FOUND AT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY

The National Agricultural Library received a pleasant surprise recently when 11 pieces of Thomas Jefferson's correspondence turned up in the files of a long-retired Agriculture Department historian. Joseph Howard, director of the library, called such finds a "chronic problem. We don't always know what we have." (American Libraries, October 1993)

ANDREI SAKHAROV PAPERS TO BRANDEIS

Elena Bonner, widow of Soviet nuclear scientist, Andrei Sakharov, has given her late husband's papers to Brandeis University. Sakharov, who was credited with developing the Soviet hydrogen bomb, was a human rights activist who waged a 30-year battle against Soviet abuses. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1975 for his human-rights efforts. Part of the collection will be housed in an apartment building in Moscow, where Bonner and Sakharov once lived. Copies of these papers will also be available at Brandeis University. The collection documents the human-rights movement in the former Soviet Union as well as including Sakharov's memoirs, diaries, and scientific papers. (Chronicle of Higher Education, October 27, 1993)

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Mississippi's Historical Heritage: A Guide to Women's Sources in Mississippi Repositories

Learning Resource Center
Barr Library, Mary Holmes College

Post Office Drawer 1257
West Point, MS 39773

Oral History Collection. Interviews, 1960s-1970s. Approximately 600 taped interviews and transcriptions. In a project funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, students of Mary Holmes College interviewed rural black Mississippians, seventy years of age and above, concerning their education, sex, life, economic status, religion, the environment, and sharecropping; civil rights experience; and younger people active in effecting social change in a twenty county area. Collection contains information from community meetings and group conferences and some folklore material. Copying restrictions apply.

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